

# Fw: participation on the quarterly community outreach call

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## Hi Bob - I'm on a conference call tomorrow regarding the Off-Site Rule and EJ. Scott Crow states:

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Thanks.

-Terry 312-6419

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#### Terry

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Chris is acting for me today so I am copying her.

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Thanks.

Nancy

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Libby,

Hi! Hope things are going well.

We've gotten a request to participate in an OEJ quarterly community outreach call. Scott Clow from the Ute Tribe has posed a question about the CERCLA offsite rule. Is there someone in the region knowledgeable about the situation he describes, and who could help address the concerns?

Suzanne Wells

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Robin,



I'm going to contact region 8 to see if they have someone who might be able to address this.

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David,

Are you familiar with the CERCLA offsite rule that is discussed below? Who in our office knows about this rule?

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Do you know what this CERCLA offset rule is that is mentioned below? Did Superfund put this out or RCRA?

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Suzanne,

OEJ is looking for someone form Superfund to participate on a community outreach call. Would someone from your office be available to take the call? Email Sherri White to get more info. Thanks,

Tai

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Hi Marsha and Pat,

I am contacting you both for assistance. One of the issues that was submitted for discussion on the upcoming call was the perception that environmental injustices are often created by EPA decision. The example given was CERCLA. (See below) Do you have someone who could participate on the call Thursday, 9/20 from 5-6pm?

I am preparing the agenda today to be sent out on our list serve late today or early Monday. It would be great if we could get someone from Superfund to participate on the call.

Addressing problems when EPA decisions create perceived environmental injustices.

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